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Dear Tribal Leader,

This is a follow-up to my letter dated December 30, 2003 wherein I solicited your recommendations for members to serve on a workgroup to revise the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) tribal consultation policy. I would like to update you on our progress thus far and describe our plans for completion of this project.

Since I last wrote you, Dr. Chuck Grim, Director of the Indian Health Service (IHS), has also accepted the recommendations of tribal leaders and announced his plans to seek tribal consultation on revision of the IHS consultation policy. After discussing the merits of joining our efforts, Dr. Grim and I have decided to collaborate on the concurrent revision of both policies.

While we know the policy statements that result from this work will differ, we agree that it makes sense to accomplish the revisions in partnership. Accordingly, it is our plan to proceed as follows. Since members have already been identified for a workgroup to provide initial guidance on revision of the HHS policy, Dr. Grim will charge the same workgroup to also make initial recommendations on the IHS policy. Asking the workgroup to address both policies concurrently offers several advantages. First, the resultant policies are more likely to compliment each other. And second, we believe this approach is an efficient use of both tribal leader's time as well as federal travel resources in that it will reduce the need for travel.

My staff have contacted each of the individuals selected to serve as members and alternates to the HHS workgroup to verify that they would be willing to serve on a group with a dual charge. I have included a list of the workgroup members and alternates as an attachment to this letter. You will note that there are representatives from IHS Areas as well as members from a number of tribal organizations representing both health and human services organizations. The human service organizations will only participate in the HHS policy revision.

We anticipate that the workgroup will have an initial conference call at which time they will determine meeting dates and locations. We will request that they plan to complete their work in three meetings or less. The workgroup coordination will be jointly conducted by the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA) Tribal Affairs staff and IHS staff. The workgroup will also have available a group of federal representatives who can provide technical assistance that may be needed. Once the workgroup has submitted its recommendations on the revised policies to IGA and IHS, each organization will conduct formal tribal consultation independently on their respective draft policies.

In addition to consulting with tribal leaders, the HHS draft policy will also be subject to an internal HHS clearance process. This process will provide each HHS Division the opportunity to make comment and recommendations on the draft. Once the external and internal review processes are complete, the draft policy will again be submitted to tribal leadership for final review before it is sent to the Secretary for signature.


Our goal for completion of this policy revision is November 2004. This is a very ambitious timeline; however, I believe that it can be accomplished in partnership with tribes.

I look forward to working with you to move the consultation process forward. I believe that refinement of our existing policy offers a positive next step to institutionalize many of the gains we have made over the past several years and further reinforce the strength of the relationship between tribes and HHS.

Dr. Eric Broderick will have the lead within IGA for coordination of this effort. If you have questions or suggestions please do not hesitate to contact him at (202) 690-6060.

Thank you for your continued support and assistance.

Sincerely,

  
Regina B. Schofield  
Director

## HHS Secretary's Tribal Consultation Policy Revision Workgroup

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